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HEADQUARTERS CASE OFFICER:

CRYPTONYM: AEDOGMA

AREA DIVISION: SR

STATION: C J-

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ROOM NO. 2605 J

Extension: 2105

Date 3 March 1959

The attached Project Outline is presented for renewal

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Coordination

Chief, Foreign Intelligence

Date

1 April 59

Chief of Operations SR/CE

Chief of Operations, SR

Date

3 April 59

\* Concur in approval of Project AEDOGMA  
(formerly AEBATH)

Staff Coordination:  
For C/FI/OPS -s/ C J  
For CI Staff -s/ C J

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6 March 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, SR Division

SUBJECT: Approval for Project AEDOGMA

REFERENCE: Renewal of Project AEBATH, 19 December 1958.

1. It is requested that Chief, SR Division approve the attached project AEDOGMA for one year from 1 April 1959 to 31 March 1960.

2. BACKGROUND: Project AEDOGMA, formerly known as Project AEBATH, is to be transferred from Munich Base to [ ] effective the end of March 1959. AEDOGMA/1, a contract agent, is to serve as a reporting asset in the SR/CE program of [ ] to provide information on Soviet personalities and installations in France, RIS activities in France, and to report on pro-Soviet elements among the emigres from the USSR.

An eight months extension of Project AEBATH (1 August 1958 to 31 March 1959) was approved in order to allow sufficient time for the following:

- a. Munich Base to wind-up AEDOGMA/1's personal affairs in such a manner as to provide a logical and secure reason for his transfer from Munich to Paris.
- b. Paris Station to resolve problems concerning AEDOGMA/1's visa to France, his new cover employment and to obtain secure personal living quarters in Paris.
- c. [ ] and Headquarters to prepare and obtain approval for a new project to cover AEDOGMA/1's new assignment to France.

3. As required by CSN No. 10-5, paragraph 15b, covering the transfer of an agent from one operational area to another, an amendment to the present operational approval C-36678 is being submitted to the CI Staff, requesting approval of the use of AEDOGMA/1 in the new project.

The present Munich Base case officer handling Subject will resolve the question of disposition of the archives of AEDOGMA/1, dependent upon the results of his checking the contents of these papers and weighing the possible security hazard they might represent.

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Transfer of this agent from Munich to Paris fulfills the recommendation of FI/OPS in reference memorandum covering extension of Project AEBATH, that he be assigned to another operational area. The security factors mentioned in the Project extension will be resolved by his physical transfer.

4. PRODUCTION: Because of the need to devote himself almost entirely to the building of his cover and the development of contacts in various appropriate milieux during the first six months or more of his residence in Paris, it is estimated that AEDOGMA-1 will not be in a position to produce any substantial amount of intelligence reporting.

It is anticipated that after he has become established in Paris, AEDOGMA-1 will be in a position to provide substantial counter-intelligence information, which will prove valuable in the development of new unilaterally controlled double-agent cases. It is further estimated that in the course of his spotting and reporting activities, AEDOGMA-1 will also provide information of value in the development of leads for new positive intelligence or propaganda type operations directed against the Soviet target.

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FIELD  
PROJECT OUTLINE

CRYPTONYM: AEDOGMA

PART I

1. Area of Operations:

This project envisages use of the agent in France, principally in the greater Paris area.

2. Purpose:

To establish for [ ] a solid asset in Soviet and Eastern European emigre circles whose purpose will be to cover mainly LCIMPROVE matters, but who also can make some contribution in the REDSKIN and PP fields. The LCIMPROVE and REDSKIN programs are in the top priority of the RMD.

3. Background:

In France there is a very large number of persons of Soviet origin, some rather recent emigres or escapees, and others of much older vintage. These people and the various organizations they have formed are known to be of great interest to the Soviet intelligence services. Not infrequently the Station gets certain echos of Soviet activity among the emigres, but to date the Station has had no proper agent assets to pursue these leads vigorously.

The agent proposed for use in this project, AEDOGMA/1, has been a CIA agent in Germany and Austria since 1947 and for this reason needs little description here. His five-and-a-half years' experience as a CI agent of the ABWEHR and subsequent twelve years similar experience with CIA mark him as probably the ideal candidate to fill [ ] needs. As the [ ] SR Section is a very small one, it is essential that outside principal agents be highly experienced and possessed of enough initiative to work well without constant attention from a staff case officer. AEDOGMA/1's record shows clearly that he is this type of agent. It should be noted that Munich Base's willingness to part with AEDOGMA/1 reflects in no way on the agent personally, but arises from normal operational security problems due to long service in one area.

4. References:

OFFW-21529 of 16 July 1958.  
DIR-48764 of 5 November 1958.  
[ ] of 5 November 1958.  
EGMA-39155 of 15 December 1958.  
EGMW-7163 of 15 January 1959.

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5. Objectives:

- A. The agent will cover the efforts of the Soviet Intelligence Services to utilize Soviet, Eastern European, and German groups in France for intelligence purposes.
- B. The agent will act as a spotter in Soviet emigre circles who, incidental to other duties, can locate REDSKIN opportunities such as repatriates, persons visiting the USSR, persons in regular correspondence with the USSR, etc.
- C. The agent will upon request lend aid and support to certain PP activities aimed against the Soviets. This employment will be of such a nature that his participation in it will be entirely clandestine and will have no adverse affects on his cover or attract Soviet attention to him.

6. Targets:

Soviet intelligence agents, informants, assets, and other persons and organizations cooperating with the Soviets.

7. Tasks:

- A. The agent will establish himself in the milieu of Soviet emigre peoples, spreading himself over as much of it as is practical and secure.
- B. The agent will establish a network of unwitting informants in the emigration so as to give him a window into the non-public activities of these persons and groups.
- C. In the way that he has previously perfected on earlier assignments, he will discreetly investigate persons who show signs of cooperation with the Soviets.

8. Coordination:

( ) has been and will for some time continue to coordinate all matters re AEDOGMA/1 with the Munich base. Later, it is anticipated that Munich may have operational questions to put to the agent, and ( ) will probably require Munich to aid in clarifying certain matters arising out of the agent's long stay and continuing connections with that area.

9. Personnel:

- A. AEDOGMA/1 is the only agent whom we presently plan to cover under this project.
- B. Covered under Background.

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- C. The agent has an operational clearance of many years standing, but its number is not known [ ]
- D. [ ] is aware that AEDOGMA/1's activities over the years have brought him to the attention of the RIS and that they at least suspect he is an AIS agent. Also it is suspected that UPSWING knows of his connection with AIS; and UPSWING may attempt to keep contact with him in Paris. It is not likely that AEDOGMA can long hide his presence in Paris from the above services and they may try to monitor or interfere with his activities. As he has been working successfully in Germany under these handicaps, we hope he will be able to do equally well here.

10. Cover:

- A. As an ordained Orthodox priest, AEDOGMA/1 will apply to the Paris independent Orthodox Theological School known as the Institute of St. Sergius for admittance as a student. This school is on the university level and offers advanced degrees which are not illogical for a man of the agent's age and position to seek. It is felt that there will be no problem regarding the agent's acceptance as a student.
- B. The case officer's cover is [ ]. Cover for specific contact will be that the case officer is interested in Orthodox teaching, and the two meet occasionally for friendly philosophical discussions.
- C. AEDOGMA/1's cover will give him good reason to move in Soviet emigre circles; however it will not give him cover for CI Investigation which will have to be entirely clandestine. However, from one variation of theological cover or another he has been doing this work successfully for years, and no particular problem is anticipated.

11. Contact and Communication:

- A. Contact will be in person, probably not more often than once a week, and the meetings will take place in safehouses and in obscure cafes far from the normal haunts of either person.
- B. An alternate one-way method of commo will be for the agent to phone a sterile number with a prearranged text which calls for emergency meeting.
- C. Agent is also being provided with an S/W system and will be given an accommodation address.
- D. No special problem exists re contact and communication.

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12. Control and Motivation:

The agent is a Ukrainian patriot, thoroughly opposed to the Soviet regime and to Russian imperialism. He would like to see established a free and independent Ukraine. Further, he is an Orthodox priest and is opposed to the Soviet government on religious grounds.

Since early childhood the agent has been active in anti-Soviet operations in Ukrainian organizations (UVO, OUN), in the Abwehr, and for CIA. His political orientation is known to the Soviets and he needs the protection and security which we can offer.

CIA has promised him immigration to the United States under P.L.110, and he has an escrow bank account there which now amounts to more than \$6,800.00. Also his present salary is quite a good one and enables him both to save and to live in comfort.

13. Equipment and Other Support:

The agent has and will bring with him from Germany a UNIKOP reproduction machine, a typewriter and a Minox camera. In addition, it is planned to equip him with an S/W system (see DIR-05001).

For security reasons, it is felt that the agent should not keep his archives, at least in bulky form, outside guarded premises. Accordingly, we intend to micro-film them and will provide him with a small viewer.

14. Timetable:

It is hoped the agent can be moved to Paris by 1 April 1959. His use in this project will be indefinite.

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PART II

15. Estimated Cost:

Salary (escrow, in dollars)	2,400.00	
Salary (local in francs)	2,400.00	
Temporary raise to offset lost income from Church, UPSWING, AECAVATINA (if any of these continue payment or he gets other income, this payment will be decreased accordingly).	2,000.00	\$ 166.67
Rent living quarters/Safehouse	1,800.00	\$ 150.
Ops Expense	1,000.00	
	<u>\$9,600.00</u>	

16. Special Problems and Commitments:

As set forth in Attachment B of OFFW-21529, the Agency has guaranteed passage for the agent (and his wife if he should marry) to the USA under provisions of P.L. 110. A project amendment will be submitted whenever it is necessary to honor this commitment.

These commitments were made and approved under the former project, AEBATH. Subject's escrow account under a previous MOA has also been approved under Project AEBATH.

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